

REMARKS

Double Patenting

Claims 33-40 have been rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-5 of U.S. Patent No. 7,037,687. Without addressing the merits of this rejection, Applicants request that this matter be held in obedience until all other matters are resolved favorably.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants thank Examiner Riley for considering the references submitted with the previously filed Information Disclosure Statements. Although the Examiner has initialed all references, indicating that they have been considered, the Examiner commented that the large number of references may have obscured pertinent prior art references. *See* June 12, 2007 Office Action, at page 2. As suggested by M.P.E.P. § 2004, Applicants submit herewith a supplemental SB/08 form to highlight those references that have been specifically brought to Applicants' and their attorneys' attention and/or are understood to be of most significance. (Copies of references previously submitted are not provided.) While the applicant has attempted in good faith to highlight the most relevant references, the Examiner is requested to fully consider each and every reference cited in the previous Information Disclosure Statements, as references may change during the prosecution or the importance of the references may be viewed differently by the Office. The presently submitted SB/08 form is filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(h), and therefore, does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art."

Conclusion

If the Examiner believes that a telephonic interview with the undersigned would expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is cordially invited to call the undersigned at (617) 937-2340.

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